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site and directed them statutorily to put these reports on the web site as soon as practicable. So that's two-thirds of the amendment. The third part of the amendment reinstates the filing web fee, local clerk for financial interest statements because the Accountability Commission at this point in time didn't feel that they were equipped to put those statements on the Internet. So it just refines a little bit more Senator Kristensen's suggestions along the lines that he is going. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Debate on the Beutler amendment, Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you. Mr. President, and members, I rise in support of the Kristensen amendment. I think it takes us one more step towards clarity, and one of the things that's always troubled me about the reporting is that these gross amounts were reported, these...gross, I mean that in several ways, but amounts that indicated the amount spent on everybody who attended the function. And it really made lobbying expenses look very exaggerated. So I'm very happy that Senator Kristensen has, with the Accountability Commission, has attempted to clarify this and make it more true to fact. So I urge your support.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Kristensen. Senator Kristensen.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. I rise to support the Beutler amendment and I think it is accurate and certainly the filing of those financial interests, since they are difficult to put up onto the web site, if people want to see those, we're going to do them as a candidate anyway, so it's just consistent. I have no problem and I would hope you'd vote for his amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Janssen, on the Beutler amendment.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Now that I've got the...thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. I was given a napkin by Senator